

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An optical film comprising: having  
plural diffusion patterns formed on a light-incident surface, the light-incident surface  
being the bottom surface of the optical film, and

plural prisms formed on a light-emitting surface, the light-emitting surface being the top  
surface of the optical film, wherein

each of the diffusion patterns has, in at least one section thereof, a first inclined surface  
and a second inclined surface,

the first inclined surface that is being curved with a relatively small inclination and  
a the second inclined surface being that is oppositely inclined to the first inclined surface,  
with a relatively great inclination wherein

incident light hitting the first inclined surface is diffused by the first inclined surface,  
passed through the optical film, and emitted from the prisms, and

incident light hitting the second inclined surface is reflected by the prisms, and emitted  
from the bottom surface of the optical film.

2. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein an angle of inclination of the first  
inclined surface is gradually changed from the lowermost point to the uppermost point.

3. (Currently Amended) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein a formula of

$$5^{\circ} \leq [[a]] \alpha \leq 30^{\circ}$$

is established wherein an angle of inclination of a segment line connecting the lowermost point  
to the uppermost point is defined as  $[[a]] \alpha$ .

4. (Currently Amended) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein formulae of

$$\theta_{\max} - [[a]] \alpha \leq 10^{\circ}$$

$$[[a]] \alpha - \theta_{\min} \leq 10^{\circ}$$

are established wherein an angle of inclination of a segment line connecting the lowermost point to the uppermost point is defined as  $[\alpha]$   $\alpha$ , the maximum angle of inclination of the first inclined surface is defined as  $\theta_{\max}$ , and the minimum angle of inclination of the first inclined surface is defined as  $\theta_{\min}$ .

5. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein an angle of inclination of the second inclined surface is approximately  $70^\circ$ .

6. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein a boundary area between the first inclined surface and the second inclined surface is formed smooth and curved.

7. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein the prisms are randomly formed in size and position.

8. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 7, wherein each of the prisms is arranged such that its axial direction is directed toward two or more directions.

9. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 1, wherein the diffusion patterns are randomly formed in size and random position.

10. (Original) The optical film according to Claim 9, wherein each of the diffusion patterns has substantially the same shape to one another.

11. (Currently Amended) A diffusion sheet comprising: having  
plural diffusion patterns formed ~~thereon~~ on a light-incident surface, the light-incident  
surface being the bottom surface of the diffusion sheet, wherein  
each of the diffusion patterns has, in at least one section thereof, a first inclined surface  
and a second inclined surface,  
~~that is the first inclined surface being curved with a relatively small inclination and~~

a the second inclined surface being that is oppositely inclined to the first inclined surface with a relatively great inclination, wherein

incident light hitting the first inclined surface is diffused by the first inclined surface and emitted from the top surface of the diffusion sheet.

12. (Currently Amended) A reflector having comprising:

plural diffusion patterns formed on a light-reflecting surface, the light-reflecting surface being the top surface of the reflector, wherein

each of the diffusion patterns has, in at least one section thereof, a first inclined surface and a second inclined surface,

the first inclined surface being that is curved with a relatively small inclination and

a the second inclined surface being that is oppositely inclined to the first inclined surface with a relatively great inclination, wherein

incident light hitting the first inclined surface is diffusedly reflected by the first inclined surface.

13. (Original) A surface light source device comprising a light source, a light guide plate that confines light from the light source for transmitting the same and emits the light from a light-emitting surface, and an optical film according to Claim 1 arranged so as to face the light-emitting surface of the light guide plate.

14. (Original) A liquid crystal display comprising a light source, a light guide plate that confines light from the light source for transmitting the same and emits the light from a light-emitting surface, an optical film according to Claim 1 arranged so as to face the light-emitting surface of the light guide plate, and a liquid crystal display panel.